

Đảo ngữ (P2)

I. Đảo ngữ với: No sooner Than; Hardly/ Barely/ Scarcely.... When/before (Vừa mớithì...)

No sooner + had + S + P2 + than + clause

Hardly/ Barely/ Scarcely + Auxiliary + S + V + when/before + clause

I had no sooner arrived home than the phone rang.

→ *No sooner had I arrived home than the phone rang.*

I had hardly arrived home when the phone rang.

→ *Hardly had I arrived home when the phone rang.*

Ví dụ:

1/ He got down to writing the letter as soon as he returned from his walk.

No sooner had he returned from his walk than He got down to writing the letter

2/ She just had time to put up her umbrella before the rain came down in torrents.

No sooner had she put up her umbrella than the rain came down in torrents

3/ She had hardly begun to speak before people started interrupting her.

Hardly had she begun to speak when people started interrupting her

4/ Someone rang the alarm as soon as the burglars left the building.

No sooner had the burglars left the building than Someone rang the alarm.

5/ Tear gas was released as soon as the thieves touched the safe.

No sooner had the thieves touched the safe than Tear gas was released

6/ Immediately after his appointment to the post, the new editor fell ill.

No sooner had he been appointment to the post than the editor fell ill

7/ I had hardly put the phone down when the boss rang back.

Hardly had I put the phone down when the boss rang back.

8/ She had hardly begun her performance when the light went out.

No sooner had she begun her performance than the light went out.

II. Đảo ngữ với **Not until/till (then/ later) Not until/till + Clause + Au + S + V Then/after/ Adv of time**

He couldn't speak until he was 8

→ *Not until he was 8, could he speak = It was not until he was 8 that he could speak.*

Not until I got home, did I know that I had lost my keys

= It was not until I got home that I knew that I had lost my keys

He forgot about the gun until he got to the police station.

Not until he got to the Police Station, did he remember about the gun.

He didn't return to his country until last June.

Not till did he return to his country until last June

III. Đảo ngữ với NOWHERE

Nowhere + Aux + S + V

You won't find a more dedicated worker anywhere than Mrs Jones.

→ *Nowhere will you find a more dedicated worker than Mrs Jones.*

Nowhere can you find your wallet.

Nowhere in the world is the climate as rough as that in the North Pole.

Nowhere do I feel as comfortable as I do at home.

IV. Đảo ngữ với SO và SUCH:

a/ Đảo ngữ với SO:

So + adj/adv + Au + S + that + clause

He worked so hard that he forgot his lunch.

→ *So hard did he work that he forgot his lunch.*

The play is so popular that the theatre is likely to be full every night.

→ *So popular is the play that the theatre is likely to be full every night.*

It is so hot that you can fry an egg on the pavement.

→ *So hot is it that you can fry an egg on the pavement*

Her grief was so great that she almost fainted.

→ *So great was her grief that she almost fainted*

b/ Đảo ngữ với SUCH:

Such + Be + Noun + that + clause

The play is so popular that the theatre is likely to be full every night.

→ *Such is the popularity of the play that the theatre is likely to be full every night.*

She is so beautiful that I can't take my eyes off her.

→ *Such is her beauty that I can't take my eyes off her.*

Her grief is so great that she almost fainted.

→ *Such is her grief that she almost fainted.*

He was so intelligent that he could answer all the questions in "Who wants to become a millionaire?"

→ *Such was his intelligence that he could answer all the questions in "Who wants to become a millionaire?"*

V. Đảo ngữ trong câu điều kiện (Inversion in Conditional Sentences)

Trong câu điều kiện ta chỉ thực hiện đảo ngữ ở mệnh đề với If (If clause). Với mỗi loại câu điều kiện, ta có từng cách đảo ngữ riêng.

a. Đảo ngữ trong câu điều kiện loại I (type I)

If+S +(should)+ V... → Should + S + Vinfinitive ...

If he comes, I'll call the police

Should he come, I'll call the police

b. Đảo ngữ trong câu điều kiện loại II (type II).

*** Câu có động từ "to be": If + S + were ... → Were + S ...**

If I were you, I wouldn't do that.

Were I you, I wouldn't do that.

*** Câu dùng động từ thường: If + S + Ved/irregular verb → Were + S + to Vinfinitive**

If I knew Portuguese, I'd speak to Ronando.

Were I to know Portuguese, I'd speak to Ronando.

c. **Câu điều kiện loại III (type III)** **If + S + had Ved2 → Had + S + P2**

If I hadn't seen it with my own eyes, I wouldn't have believed it.

Had I not seen it with my own eyes, I wouldn't have believed it.

Notes: Với những câu điều kiện phủ định, khi đảo ngữ ta để NOT sau chủ ngữ.

VI. Đảo ngữ sau các cụm trạng từ chỉ phương hướng và vị trí: (Inversion after adverbial phrases of direction and place)

Khi câu bắt đầu bằng một cụm trạng từ, đặc biệt là trạng từ chỉ phương hướng và vị trí thì nội động từ thường được đảo lên trước chủ ngữ. Cách đảo ngữ này được sử dụng đặc biệt trong văn phong trang trọng. (formal) hoặc văn chương (literary)

(Place) + V + S

Here comes the train

*Above the fireplace **was** a portrait of Lenin.*

*On the table **sat** the cat*

Up went the price

*In an armchair **sat** his mother.*

Notes:

- Động từ TO BE thường được sử dụng trong dạng đảo ngữ này, ngoài ra ta còn dùng các động từ chuyển động như "climb, come, fly, go, hang, lie, run, sit, stand..."
- Thường chỉ dùng dạng đảo ngữ này khi động từ ở thì quá khứ đơn giản.
- Trong trường hợp đảo ngữ này, không sử dụng trợ động từ như trong câu hỏi mà dùng trực tiếp động từ đặt trước chủ ngữ.
- Không thực hiện đảo ngữ khi chủ ngữ là đại từ.
- Không dùng: In an armchair **sat she**.

* Emphasizing form:

Come in, please → *Do come in, please.*

I went out last night → *I did go out last night.*

It is/ was + Emphatic part + that + clause + Verb

Shakespeare wrote Hamlet → *It was Shakespeare that wrote Hamlet.*

VII. Bài tập

Turn the following into inverted sentences

1. The matter could be explained in no other way.
2. We had hardly started when it began to rain.
3. I have seldom heard such beautiful singing.
4. I shall never forget your kindness.
5. I saw only then the danger we were in.

6. We had no sooner left the house than it exploded.
7. He didn't realize that he had lost the key till he got home.
8. They not only robbed you, they smashed everything.
9. Half a dozen apples fell down.
10. If an emergency should arise, dial 999.
11. If Rex were a little more hard-working, he would not fail.
12. If Mr Chan had been kinder to his employees, his business would not have collapsed.
13. She had never been so disappointed before.
14. I have never known such a generous person.
15. I have never seen such a mess in my life.
16. Public borrowing has seldom been so high.
17. They had seldom participated in such a fascinating ceremony.
18. They little suspected that the musical was going to be a runaway success.
19. The embassy staff little realized that Ted was a secret agent.
20. I had hardly begun to apologize when the door closed.
21. The shop can in no way be held responsible for customers' lost property.
22. The couple had no sooner arrived than the priest started the ceremony.
23. Tom only understood the meaning of the comment when he saw his wife's face.
24. The restaurant cannot accept animals under any circumstances.
25. The artist rarely paid any attention to his agent's advice.
26. He bought so many books that he couldn't read them all.
27. It was such a boring speech that I got sleepy.

KEY

1. In no way could the matter be explained.
2. Hardly had we started when it began to rain.
3. Seldom have I heard such beautiful singing.
4. Never shall I forget your kindness.
5. Only after the danger did I see we were in.
6. No sooner had we left the house than it exploded.
7. Not until he got home did he realize that he had lost the key.
8. Not only did they rob you, they smashed everything.
9. Down fell haft a dozen apples.
10. Should an emergency arise, dial 999.
11. Were Rex a little more hardworking, he would not fail.
12. Had Mr Chan been kinder to his employees, his business would not have collapsed
13. Never had she been so disappointed before.
14. Never have I known such a generous person.
15. Never have I seen such a mess in my life.
16. Seldom has public borrowing been so high.
17. Seldom had they participated in such a fascinating ceremony.
18. Little did they suspect that the musical was going to be a runaway success.
19. Little did the embassy staff realize that Ted was a secret agent.
20. Hardly had I begun to apologize when the door closed.
21. In no way can the shop be held responsible for customers' lost property.
22. No sooner had the couple arrived than the priest started the ceremony.
23. Only when Tom saw his wife's face did he understand the meaning of the comment.
24. Under no circumstances can the restaurant accept animals.
25. Rarely did the artist pay any attention to his agent's advice.
26. So many books did he buy that he couldn't read them all.
27. Such was a boring speech that I got sleepy.